September 8, 2000

Re: 00-0477

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed is a copy of the Memorandum from the Hearing Examiner to the Commission regarding recommended action at the Bench Session on September 7, 2000. The Order presented to the Commission was entered with no changes and therefore, is not enclosed.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Caton Chief Clerk

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Docket No: 00-0477 Bench Date: 9/7/00 Deadline: N/A

MEMORANDUN

TO: The Commission

FROM: Deborah King, Hearing Examiner

DATE: August 24, 2000

SUBJECT: Illinois Bell Telephone Company (Ameritech Illinois) and

Village Utility, Inc.

Joint Petition for Approval of a Negotiated Interconnection Agreement dated September 10, 1997, pursuant to 47 USC. §

252.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter Order approving the Negotiated Agreement.

This matter concerns Commission approval of a Negotiated Interconnection Agreement between Ameritech Illinois and Village Utility, Inc. dated June 26, 2000. No petitions for leave to intervene were filed and there were no contested issues in this docket. Petitioners' Agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Agreement nor would implementation of the Agreement be contrary to the public interest, convenience and necessity. Accordingly, I recommend that the Agreement be approved.

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